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## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a direct consumer and small business owner who uses a local internet service provider for personal and business access to the internet. I chose to use a local provider because the cost of services from AT&T continued to rise year after year while adding limitations to our bandwidth. The price went up and the service went down. We have also bundled our landline phone service with our local provider.

I am using Sonic.net home phone service and internet access for considerably less and with comparable speeds and service. My business is growing and I need fiber optic speeds for internet access. I Do Not Want To Be Forced to use AT&T or other large monopolies for my services.

Please keep telephone and internet backbone services available at reasonable and competitive pricing.

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